



DRAFT MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Regular Meetings: The
First, Second, And Third
Tuesday of each month

Regular Meeting

County Courthouse,
Bridgeport, CA 93517

September 1, 2009

Flash Drive	File #1008
Minute Orders	M09-201 through M09-204
Resolutions	R09-56 through R09-57
Ordinance	Ord09-03 Not Used

9:00 AM

Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Bill Reid.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Byng Hunt.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
No One Spoke.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Bauer:

- 1) 8/21 Attended YARTS' 10th Anniversary meeting.
- 2) Attended Lee Vining Trails Committee meeting.
- 3) The Ball Field has been showing some activity.
- 4) Congressman Buck McKeon was vacationing in Mammoth and I was able to spend some time with him.

Supervisor Hazard:

- 1) 8/22 Had dinner with Bob Hauter, from McKeon's office.
- 2) 8/24-26 County Budget hearings.
- 3) 8/27 Drove to June Lake for the Fisheries Commission meeting but the meeting had been rescheduled.
- 4) 8/27 met with CalTrans representatives regarding windbreaks on old Highway 395.
- 5) Had a phone call with the Governors' Office regarding EDD services. They will be sending an employee to set up office hours.
- 6) 8/31 Phone conversation with County Counsel, Building, Planning, and property owners from Swall Meadows regarding easement language for the access road.

Supervisor Farnetti:

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- 1) 8/20 Attended the Town County Liaison meeting. Bruce Kenny from Fish and Game Commission gave updates.
- 2) 8/26 Solid Waste Task Force meeting. Discussed gate fees, BP Landfill Closure and cuts in the recycling fund.
- 3) CSAC states assessed property valuation has dropped first time since 1973.
- 4) Market Watch publication lists Mono County as the 15th most desirable place.
- 5) State owned classroom modules are for sale from \$4,000-\$12,000.

Supervisor Hunt:

- 1) Attended ESTA board meeting. Topic of discussion was the mission of ESTA.
- 2) Along with representatives of Sierra Nevada Conservancy, we visited fuel reduction project in Mammoth.

Supervisor Reid:

- 1) Met with the Bridgeport Indian Reservation representatives. They would like to acquire 40 acres along the highway adjacent to the Reservation. Also looking at other land for the potential of reopening Center in Walker.
- 2) 8/23 Spent the day with the Mammoth Search & Rescue Team.
- 3) 8/27 Spent the morning at the Senior Center in Walker, which happened to be the birthday day celebration of the month.
- 4) 8/27 Visited with Terry Ross in Mammoth regarding Senior Center.
- 5) 8/31 Meeting regarding the Walker River Basin EIS.
- 6) Updated the Board on Cougar Gold's projects.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Dave Wilbrecht:

- 1) Bob Garret, Human Resources, is no longer employed by Mono County. Rita Sherman will be acting HR Director. We are currently reviewing the restructure of HR.
- 2) Any bargaining issue will be handled by Rita.
- 3) Congratulations to the Board on last weeks budget workshops.
- 4) I have received calls from various nonprofit organizations stating they need to relocate their items that are presently stored in the Water District's property. We are looking into this and pursuing other properties that would work.
- 5) In regards to the Sierra Center Mall, the County has no interest in moving forward at this time. We are moving forward with a sub lease.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve minutes from the Regular Meeting held August 11, 2009.

M09-201 Action: Approve Minutes from the Regular Meeting held August 11, 2009.
Hazard/Hunt Farnetti/abstain 4-0

Closed Session: 9:02 a.m. through 9:27 a.m.

Break: 9:27 a.m.

Reconvened: 9:30 a.m.

Break: 9:59 a.m.

Reconvened: 10:07 a.m.

Public Hearing: 11:02 a.m.

Adjourned: 11:32 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

- 3a) Human Resources - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.
Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Dave Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Mary Booher, Jody Henning.
Unrepresented employee(s): Appraisal Operations Manager.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- 4a) Labor Negotiations - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.
Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): David Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Ann Gimpel, and Robert Garret.
Unrepresented employee(s): Psychiatrist.

No report from Closed Session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/EMERGING ISSUES

Kelly Garcia, Assistant Public Works Director:

- 1) Sheriff's Roof Project has been approved.
- 2) Lee Vining Airport project has potential for being delayed. We did finally get approval from FAA. Granite Construction requests a delay due to the removal of dirt and the possibility of weather coming early.

Lynda Roberts, Clerk/Recorder:

- 1) Regular Board Meeting scheduled for 9/8 is very full. Housing Authority is to follow. Board decision was to have the Housing Authority Meeting scheduled for 3:00 p.m. instead of 1:00 p.m.
- 2) Special Board Meeting on 9/15, scheduled for Mammoth Lakes, has no agenda items.

Marshall Rudolph, County Counsel:

- 1) Inyo County terminated the Inyo-Mono Fish and Game Advisory Commission. There is not necessarily an impact on Mono County nor any need for Mono County to do something as a result. The Board of Supervisors had already designated the Mono County Fisheries Commission as its fish and wildlife commission for purposes of making recommendations regarding expenditures of money in the fish-and-game fine fund. That resolution remains in effect. And each county's fine monies are now, and always have been kept by each county, not commingled.
- 2) Litigation involving the grading permit issued to Crowley Mutual Water Company for its water tank was successfully handled by my office. The ruling was against Mr. Payne.

Stacey Simon, Assistant County Counsel:

- 1) Updated the Board on Walker River Basin's impending issues: 2002 federal monies for this Walker River Basin Acquisition Project was \$200 million. In 2006, \$70 million was directed to the University of Nevada to acquire water in Nevada for Walker Lake. Ken Spooner, Walker River Irrigation District, contacted Supervisor Reid and said that \$25 million is proposed to be allocated for a pilot program to lease water rights in the Walker River Basin. The legislation appropriating funds for that pilot program also would revise the 2006 appropriation to authorize the use of that \$70 million to acquire water and land in California. I am expecting a call from Senator Harry Reid's office today to discuss the issue. Mono County and the State of California have become aware of these changes only in the last 10 days.

Dan Lyster, Economic Development:

- 1) Attended the Scenic Byways conference in Denver. This is a two year organizational project. Federal highway funds have not been released to the State as of yet. U.S. Forest Service paid for my trip and expressed their appreciation on my attendance.

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- 2) Met with CalTrans regarding the Conway Ranch grant. I feel it was a favorable reaction.
- 3) Cougar Gold has contributed \$5000 to hire staff for the Bridgeport Visitors Center. Next year it will be possible to have a four day a week staffing.

Lynda Salcido, Public Health Director:

- 1) The WIC program currently is combined with Inyo County. Mono County can contract with WIC independently from Inyo County to obtain more funds.

CONSENT AGENDA

CLERK OF THE BOARD

- 5a) Childhood Cancer Awareness Week - Proclamation recognizing the week of September 6-13, 2009, as Childhood Cancer Awareness Week in Mono County.
- M09-202** **Action:** Adopt Proclamation recognizing the week of September 6-13, 2009, as Childhood Cancer Awareness Week in Mono County.
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- 6a) Motor Touring Guide Grant Application - Resolution approving an application for grant funds from the State Recreational Trails Program for the re-printing and distribution of the guide ***"Motor Touring in the Eastern Sierra, Mono County, CA"***.
- R09-56** **Action:** Adopt Resolution R09-56 approving the application for grant funds from the State Recreational Trails Program for the re-printing and distribution of the guide "Motor Touring in the Eastern Sierra, Mono County, CA".
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REGULAR AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

CLERK-RECORDER

- 7a) US Department of the Interior - Response to July 7, 2009, letter related to F.I.M. Corporation's domestic sheep grazing permits.
- 7b) Mammoth Lakes Swim Team - Letter from Greg Bissonette, Treasurer, thanking the County for a \$3,000 donation.
Supervisor Reid: Reminder notice for new request was sent to wrong address, so the Swim Team will have an opportunity at the mid-year budget to make a request.
- 7c) Lee Vining Community Projects - Email letter from Tim Hansen thanking the Board of Supervisors for their continuing efforts in completing the projects at the Lee Vining Community Center, Mono Lake Park, and Mono Lake Cemetery.
- 7d) Mono County Little League - Letter from Antonette Ciccarelli, Treasurer, thanking the Board of Supervisors for a \$3,600 donation.

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Supervisor Farnetti: New request will be considered at mid year.

- 7e) Reds Meadow Valley Recreation Fees - Letter from Jim Upchurch, Inyo National Forest Supervisor, regarding proposed changes in the recreation fees charged to visitors at Reds Meadow Valley starting in 2010.

Supervisor Bauer: Will follow up on deadline for public comment.

PUBLIC WORKS

- 8a) Chalfant Landfill Off-Site Diversion Channel Right-of-Way (**Matt Carter**) - Receive staff report regarding Public Works' application to BLM for permission to maintain a well and construct and maintain an off-site diversion channel on federal lands adjacent to the Chalfant Landfill. Consider and potentially authorize the Public Works Director's signature on a right-of-way grant from BLM for said use. Provide any desired direction to staff.

M09-203 Action: Approve and authorize the Public Works Director's signature on a right-of-way grant from BLM to allow construction, operation, and maintenance of County facilities on federal lands adjacent to the Chalfant Landfill.

Hazard/Farnetti 5-0

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 9a) Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC) (**Supervisor Reid**) - Discuss attendance at the upcoming RCRC meeting.

Supervisors Hazard and Hunt plan to attend the upcoming meeting of the Regional Council of Rural Counties.

- 9b) State Budget (**Board Members**) - The Board of Supervisors may discuss issues pertaining to the California State budget.

No Action Taken.

- 9c) County Service Area No. 1 (**Marianne O'Connor, Secretary, or a Member of the Board of Directors**) - Request for authorization to expend \$23,250 for a digital upgrade on one low power TV translator.

Supervisor Hazard:

- 1) CSA#1 has the most current system. I believe they would like to take one channel and convert it to experiment instead of converting all channels (6 or 7). This will also give helpful information to other CSA districts.

M09-204 Action: Authorize the Board of Directors of County Service Area #1, in consultation with County Counsel, to contract with Norm Powell (Valley T.V. and Communication) in an amount not to exceed \$23,250 for a digital upgrade on one low power TV translator.

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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- 10a) PUBLIC HEARING--Fee Resolution Pursuant to the State Mandated Medical Marijuana Program (**Lynda Salcido, Public Health Director**) - Consider and potentially adopt proposed Resolution R09-57 adopting fees to administer the approval, issuance and annual review of identification cards pursuant to the state mandated Medical Marijuana Program. Receive staff report. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Lynda Salcido, Public Health Director:

- 1) Resident will fill out an application; health department will check license of Physician, applicant picture will be sent to the State.
- 2) The State mandated fee is \$66. Each card is estimated to take my staff 2 ½ hours to process. I project that it will cost us \$225 per card. This card will be renewed yearly. MediCal cost for the card will be cut in half. I am expecting 10-15 card applications. The marijuana will be purchased at a designated dispensary. There is a possibility that a dispensary would then be located in Mono County. Mono County is the last county to approve. Indicator for receiving a card would be any condition that a physician recommended the use of medical marijuana.

Mark Magit, Assistant County Counsel:

- 1) Cal Courts has said there is not a conflict, this is a state law.

Tim Kendall, Assistant District Attorney:

- 1) Law enforcement officials are to recognize the card. It is a law enforcement aid.

Public Hearing Opened & Closed at 11:19 a.m.

No public comments.

- R09-57 Action:** Adopt Resolution R09-57 adopting a fee of \$225 to administer the approval, issuance and annual review of identification cards pursuant to the state mandated Medical Marijuana Program.

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Meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

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